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Taney County Flood Clean-Up Resources

As flood waters recede across the area Emergency Managers in Taney County including the Cities of Branson and Hollister are working together to coordinate volunteer resources to assist area residents with flood clean-up.

Citizens and businesses desiring to offer resources such as man power and cleaning supplies may call (417) 337-8584 to register. Residents needing supplies or volunteer assistance may also call the same number to request help. This number will be staffed the remainder of today and through 4 p.m. on Friday, January 1.

"We have taken a lot of phone calls from people offering time and resources to help with flood clean-up. With the long holiday weekend and decent weather for the next several days, we are taking this opportunity to help coordinate these volunteer resources," stated Taney County Emergency Management Director Chris Berndt.

As flood waters recede residents will be able to enter their homes and assess clean-up needs. "We would like for the residents across the county to have one number to call to see what resources might be available to help with clean-up," stated Branson's Fire Chief and Emergency Management Director Ted Martin.

Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) members will also be visible through the neighborhoods on Friday from 9 a.m. till noon checking on residents and assessing any needs they might have regarding flood clean-up.

"We understand that most of the residents have been through this before, many of them with established action plans for clean-up," added Martin. "As we have taken several calls offering assistance, we simply wanted to make sure the resources were made available our residents across the Taney County communities."

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